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VIEWS AND NEAR VIEWS

(Continued From First Page.)

passage of the Statewide prohibition
law than ever before in the history
of the State, and North Carolina has
always been very moonshiny. An
unintentioned and uninhabited plantation
that is more than half covered with
woods and has several small streams
running through it, and with the
plantation roads untraveled is just
the place to strike the moonshiner as
an ideal location for his unlawful
business. My friend, when he took pos-
session of the farm last winter, found
several small illicit distilleries along
the hollows in the dense woods.

He and the government officials soon
broke them up. Since then my friend
has found on the place along the gul-
lies and ravines in the woods no less
than 1,000 empty cans labeled
concentrated lye, and only last week
he found hidden in the undergrowth
near where a small illicit distillery
had been operated a box of bluestone
and concentrated lye are used in large
quantities by the moonshiners in the
manufacture of whiskey. These ar-
ticles are used, I am told, to strength-
en the liquor and make it more fiery.
How did the moonshiner learn how to
make whiskey and to use concentra-
ted lye and bluestone in its manufac-
ture? I take it that the moonshiners
who are generally un-
educated men and have but few if
any original ideas of their own, learned
that trade in the legal and properly
licensed distilleries, and it was
there he was taught to use concentra-
ted lye and bluestone and other
poisons in the making of liquor. The
conclusion is inevitable that most of
the cheap whiskey on the markets,
whether it comes from the moonshin-
ers' little cheap, outlawed distillery,
or from the licensed and expensive
liquor factory, is impure, and is poi-
soned with things more fiery and
health-destroying than the juice of
the corn or the rye. It does not re-
quire a doctor's affidavit to satisfy the
average mind that it will not take
concentrated lye and the essence of
bluestone very long to burn the fat
out of a man's "insides," if the man
is fool enough to drink it. From the
above the prohibitionist may find ma-
terial with which to build an argu-
ment in support of his contentions,
and the Statewide man may do the
same, but I did not write it for ei-
ther purpose, but simply to give
publicity to some awful facts that
have come to my knowledge here in
the backwoods, with the hope that
said facts may cause some poor old
sodas who can't buy the high priced
stuff to think a long time before
they imbibe any more mixture of con-
centrated lye, essence of bluestone,
juice of corn and only the distiller
knows what else. I am told that the
moonshine industry is flourishing in
this part of North Carolina.

The Ounce of Prevention.

All the accounts I have seen agree
that the great railroad and steamship
strikes in Great Britain were settled
so much by the government as by the
overwhelming pressure of busi-
ness and public opinion. The moral
"union" was too potent to be re-
sisted by either side. There are those
who believe that in England general
strikes or lockouts in the field of
transportation and food distribution
are henceforth impossible, as the
"third party," the great public, will
not tolerate them. If voluntary
arbitration or mediation should fail
compulsion would be imposed by Par-
liament at the peremptory dictation
of the nation.

The St. Louis Globe-Democrat finds
in this connection a hint well worth
consideration in this country, and that
hint is that it is better and easier to
prevent a threatened strike than to
secure or stop one after it gets start-
ed. True it is that conditions in the
United States as to food supply are
not as delicate and critical as they are
in Great Britain, but railroad strikes,
strikes in "general," spell serious hard-
ship, loss, paralysis of local business,
even with us. Their effect on indus-
try and trade at large is, of course,
highly detrimental, while their moral
and social consequences are in every
way deplorable.

"Is not even here," asks the GLOBE-
Democrat, "prevention of strikes
better than the cure?" and then it re-
views the good work recently done
along this line by the business men
of Memphis. The several commercial
organizations of that city that have
taken action toward averting a rup-
ture between the Illinois Central sys-
tem and its employees have the right
idea of the situation. Expressing no
opinion on this or that demand or is-
sue in the controversy, these business
bodies appeal to reason and enlight-
ened self-interest, as well as to the
principle of social welfare, and seek
to bring about conciliation and ad-
justment before, not after, any part-
ing of the ways. Impartial adjust-
ment means the abandonment of ob-
viously irrational or impossible claims.
It means common sense and peace with
justice.

Richmond and other Virginia cities
are rarely ever disturbed by strikes.
Employers and employees get along
smoothly here, and there is not a
threat or a prospect of any serious
class struggle between capital and labor,
now and then there are minor con-
troversies of one kind and another
that are calculated to involve com-
mercial disturbance and considerable loss;
this apparently interminable dock mat-
ter, for instance. The commercial or-
ganizations of Richmond, however, will
take a hint from Memphis, keep their sen-
tinals in the watch towers to scent
dangers that may be ahead, to the
end that time may be taken by the
forelock, and the ounce of preven-
tion used that pounds may not be ex-
pended in curing troubles that affect
commercial and industrial interests.

Hint for Tax Law Experts.

The Virginia officials who have been
making a study of the tax question
for the information and guidance of
the next Legislature may get some
valuable hints and suggestions from
New York. That State used to impose
regular taxes on all bonds and secu-
rities held by its citizens whether the
bonds were issued by institutions and
industries in or out of the State. It
was easy enough for the average New
Yorker who might own Richmond city
bonds or Texas State bonds, for in-

stance, to quiet his conscience by con-
vincing himself that his State had no
right to tax Richmond city bonds or
Texas State bonds, no matter if they
did happen to be owned by a citizen
of New York. The result was that
very few holders of out of State se-
curities reported them to the tax as-
sessor, while it is likely that more of
such securities are held in New York
State than in all the other States com-
bined, but from this accumulated
wealth of the State was getting very
little revenue. The late Legislature,
on the recommendation of Gov. Dix,
passed a bill and it became a law, go-
ing into effect the first day of this
month, exempting from taxation, both
State and municipal bonds, no matter
where the property securing them
may be located. But the law calls
for the payment of an initial or reg-
istry tax or fee of one-half of 1 per
cent. on such bonds after which they
are forever exempt from any kind of
taxation. That is to say, the New
Yorker who holds a Richmond city
bond for \$1,000 walks up to the clerk's
office, makes known the fact that it
may be registered, pays down 50c and
that is the end of it. Thereafter, no
matter how long he may hold that bond
and draw interest on it for the next
thirty years, and on the payment of
this small amount he is no longer a
tax dodger and has no more twinges
of conscience. Information from New
York is to the effect that bondholders
are simply overrunning the control-
ler's offices to report and register their
bonds and pay the fee, and the State
is getting in enormous revenue, where-
as under the old law it obtained very
little from this source.

GREAT INDUSTRY OF MAKING MAPS

Geological Survey Conducts Per-
haps Most Extensive Estab-
lishment in World.

[Special to The Times-Dispatch.]
Washington, September 2.—The
greatest official map-making establish-
ment in this country, or perhaps in the
entire world, is the United States Geo-
logical Survey. In constructing the
huge topographic and geologic maps
of the United States every detail of
the work is done by the survey, from
the work of the topographers who
make the maps in the field down
through the various stages of draft-
ing, lettering, editing, engraving and
lithographic printing in many colored
inks. There is practically no com-
pilation about the Geological Survey
maps; they are based on surveys made
on the ground, and the office work
consists simply in putting them into
form for issuance to the public. They
depict most faithfully the character-
istics of the areas surveyed.

Every year, with the coming of the
open field season, numerous survey
parties hurry away from the Wash-
ington office to the four quarters of
the United States, as well as to Alaska,
and the result of their season's work
is the topographic and geologic map-
ping of tens of thousands of square
miles of all sorts of country, ranging
from the most forbidding swamps and
marshes to the loftiest of the glacier-
covered mountains of the Rockies and
the high Sierra, and including the most
valuable mineral deposits of the na-
tion. While these parties are thus
traversing untrodden fields, the survey
engraving and printing plant through-
out the summer, as in fact, through
all the year, is turning out hundreds
of thousands of copies of the results
of the previous year's field work.

In a single midsummer month this
year the survey plant printed 102,494
topographic maps, 5,345 geologic folios,
each containing many maps, and 111,
170 copies of other geologic maps,
charts, etc. Besides its own, a great
number of maps are also printed by
the survey engraving division for other
branches and departments of the gov-
ernment. Stephen J. Kubel, chief en-
graver, has run this extensive en-
graving and printing plant under the
director of the Geological Survey for
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some of the government contract
work and to run the engraving plant
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